4 JUN 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Soviet Bloc Division

SUBJECT : Travel of CIA Employees to the

USSR and Eastern Europe

REFERENCE: SB Memo dtd 17 May 74, Same Subject

1. Referent requested comment and concurrence of the Office of Security on guidelines proposed by your office relative to the topic.

- 2. These guidelines are much in harmony with our own thinking on these matters and when implemented will serve to complement present Office of Security procedures concerned with foreign travel. Additionally, in response to your suggestion, this Office will initiate the necessary action so that we may be advised of the existence of any retaliatory situation. Such information will of course be considered in the review and assessment of the traveler's request.
- 3. As you are aware, this Office has been actively supporting the principle of affording the traveler a defensive briefing. I am encouraged by the recent arrangements whereby representatives of the Office of Security and your office participate jointly in the briefing of travelers to the Soviet Bloc area. It appears to be a most satisfactory means of accomplishing our mutual goals in this regard.

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Be assured that the Office of Security is most pleased to support your proposal and will continue to assist your office in this endeavor.

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Acting Director of Security

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